

## CLAIMS

- 1        1. (Currently Amended) A protective headgear system comprising,  
2              a supportive shell,  
3              a facial shield adapted to be attached to said supportive shell by  
4        conforming said facial shield to the circumference of said supportive shell,  
5              a filtration device adapted to be mounted on top of said supportive shell  
6        and substantially secured thereto by said facial shield, and  
7              a protective covering adapted to be mounted to the lower portion of said  
8        facial shield.
  
- 1        2. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 including,  
2              a filter adapted for covering said filtration device.
  
- 1        3. (Currently Amended) The system recited in claim 1 including,  
2              a shield protector adapted to be mounted to said facial shell shield.
  
- 1        4. (Currently Amended) The system recited in claim 1 including,  
2              a headband adapted to be attached to the interior of said supportive shell.
  
- 1        5. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 wherein,  
2              said supportive shell includes at least one spacer device thereon for  
3        supporting said filtration device.
  
- 1        6. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 wherein,  
2              said facial shield includes a sealing means for removably sealing said  
3        facial shield and said filtration device to said supportive shell.

7. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 wherein,  
said protective covering comprises a layer of air permeable material.

8. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 wherein,  
said protective covering includes an aperture therein.

9. (Original) The system recited in claim 8 wherein,  
said protective covering includes an adjustable closure means for  
substantially closing said aperture.

10. (Original) The system recited in claim 9 wherein,  
said adjustable closure means comprises an elastic element around at  
a portion of said aperture.

11. (Original) The system recited in claim 3 wherein,  
said shield protector is selectively removable from said facial shield.

12. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 wherein,  
said protective covering is mounted to said facial shield below said  
protective shell.

13. (Original) The system recited in claim 1 including,  
zipper means for connecting said protective covering to a bottom edge of  
facial shield.

14. (Currently Amended) A protective headgear system comprising,  
a supportive shell,

3           a facial shield adapted to be attached to said supportive shell,  
4           said facial shield includes a sealing means for removably sealing said  
5   facial shield to said supportive shell,  
6           a filtration device adapted to be mounted on top of said supportive shell,  
7           said filtration device is secured to said supportive shell by said facial  
8   shield,  
9           a protective covering adapted to be mounted to said facial shield,  
10          a filter adapted for covering said filtration device, and  
11          a shield protector adapted to be mounted to said facial ~~shell~~ shield.

1       15. (Original) The system recited in claim 14 wherein,  
2           said protective covering conforms to the shape of said facial shield.

1       16. (Original) The system recited in claim 14 wherein,  
2           said filter conforms to the shape of said filtration device.

1       17. (Cancelled) .

1       18. (Cancelled).

1       19. (Currently Amended) The system recited in claim 14 including,  
2           a support means ~~adapted to be joined to~~ on said supportive shell to space  
3   said filtration device away from said supportive shell.

1       20. (New) The system recited in claim 14 including,  
2           fan means mounted to said supportive shell below said filtration device.

1           21. (New) The system recited in claim 3 wherein,  
2           said facial shield and said shield protector are substantially transparent to  
3       light.

1           22. (New) The system recited in claim 1 wherein,  
2           said protective covering is fabricated of a flexible breathable material  
3       which substantially prevents transmission of particulate material therethrough.